

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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John BUTLER et al.)	Group Art Unit: 3733
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Application No.: 10/635,017)	Examiner: Ramana, Anuradha
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Filed: August 6, 2003)	
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For: WOUND RETRACTOR)	Confirmation No.: 7577

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 31, 2007, the period for response being extended to March 31, 2007 by the Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time and fee payment filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this reply.

Remarks follow the claim amendments section of this reply.